

Wisconsin Works (W-2) Critical Indicators



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Bureau of Workforce Information
Division of Workforce Solutions
Department of Workforce Development



State of Wisconsin

Wisconsin W-2 Participants in Paid Placements*

Number of Participants in Paid Placements					
	One Year Ago	Last Month	This Month	Change in Most Recent Two Months	
Paid Participants:	Apr 2005	Mar 2006	Apr 2006	Number	Percent
Milwaukee County	7,359	5,416	5,400	-16	-0.3%
Balance of State	2,277	1,912	1,830	-82	-4.5%
Statewide Caseload	9,636	7,328	7,230	-98	-1.4%
Milwaukee County Regions:	Apr 2005	Mar 2006	Apr 2006	Number	Percent
Milwaukee NE YWCA	1,071	628	637	9	1.4%
Milwaukee SE UMOS	946	1,076	1,031	-45	-4.4%
Region 3	2	0	0	0	0.0%
Milwaukee Central UMOS	2,149	1,334	1,343	9	0.7%
Milwaukee NW MAXIMUS	1,935	1,379	1,388	9	0.6%
Milwaukee SW MAXIMUS	1,254	998	1,000	2	0.2%
Milwaukee County Total*:	7,359	5,416	5,400	-16	-0.3%

Source: CARES, Bureau of Workforce Information, Division of Workforce Solutions, Department of Workforce Development.

* Milwaukee County total includes a small number of cases served by Milwaukee County Department of Social Services.

Note: The paid caseload includes the following categories of placements:

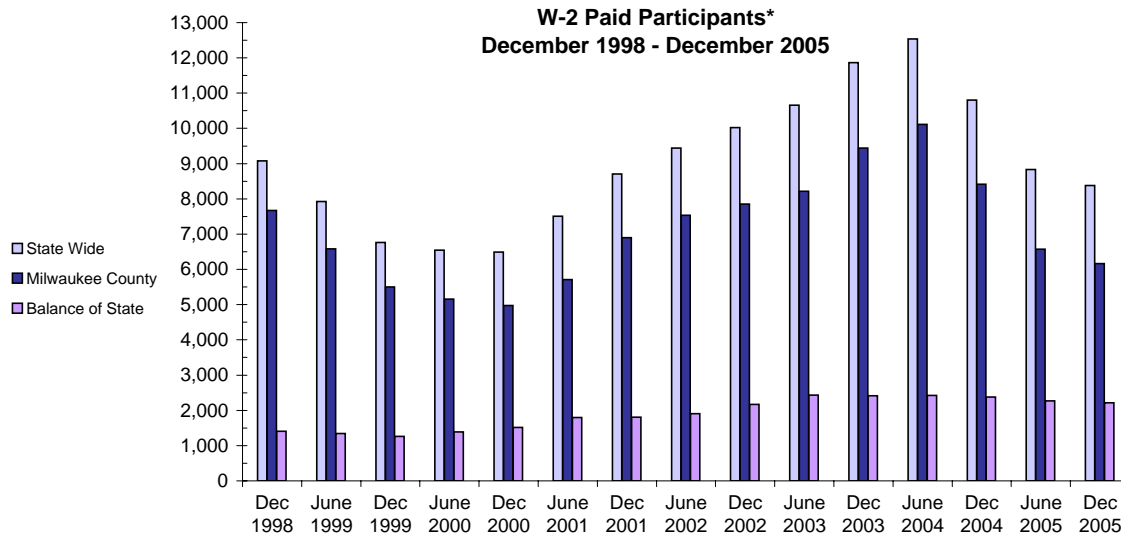
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Trial Job (TJB)..... A W-2 subsidized employment position that provides work experience and training which may become permanent, unsubsidized employment. Paid directly to the employer.

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W-2 Paid Participants and Benefits Paid

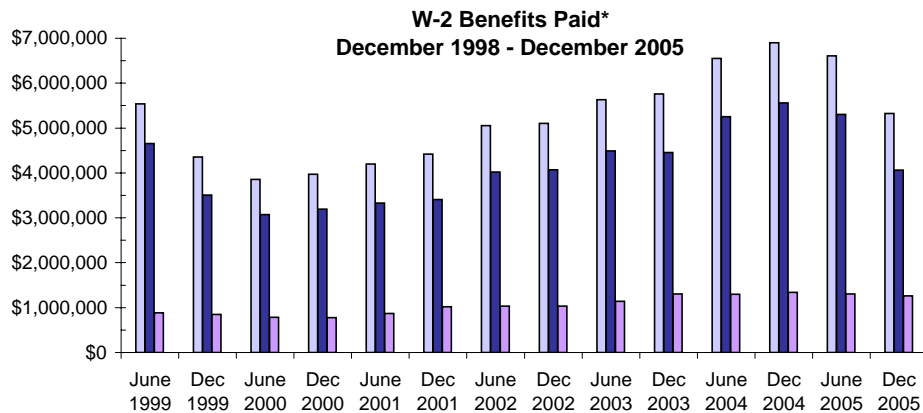


W-2 Paid Participants - Most Recent Six Months

	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Jan 2006	Feb 2006	Mar 2006	Apr 2006
Milwaukee County	5,692	5,565	5,481	5,400	5,416	5,400
Balance of State	2,103	2,025	2,021	1,949	1,912	1,830
Statewide	7,795	7,590	7,502	7,349	7,328	7,230

Source: CARES, Bureau of Workforce Information, Division of Workforce Solutions, Department of Workforce Development

*Note: The paid participants included in this count are participants who were in a paid placement during the report month.



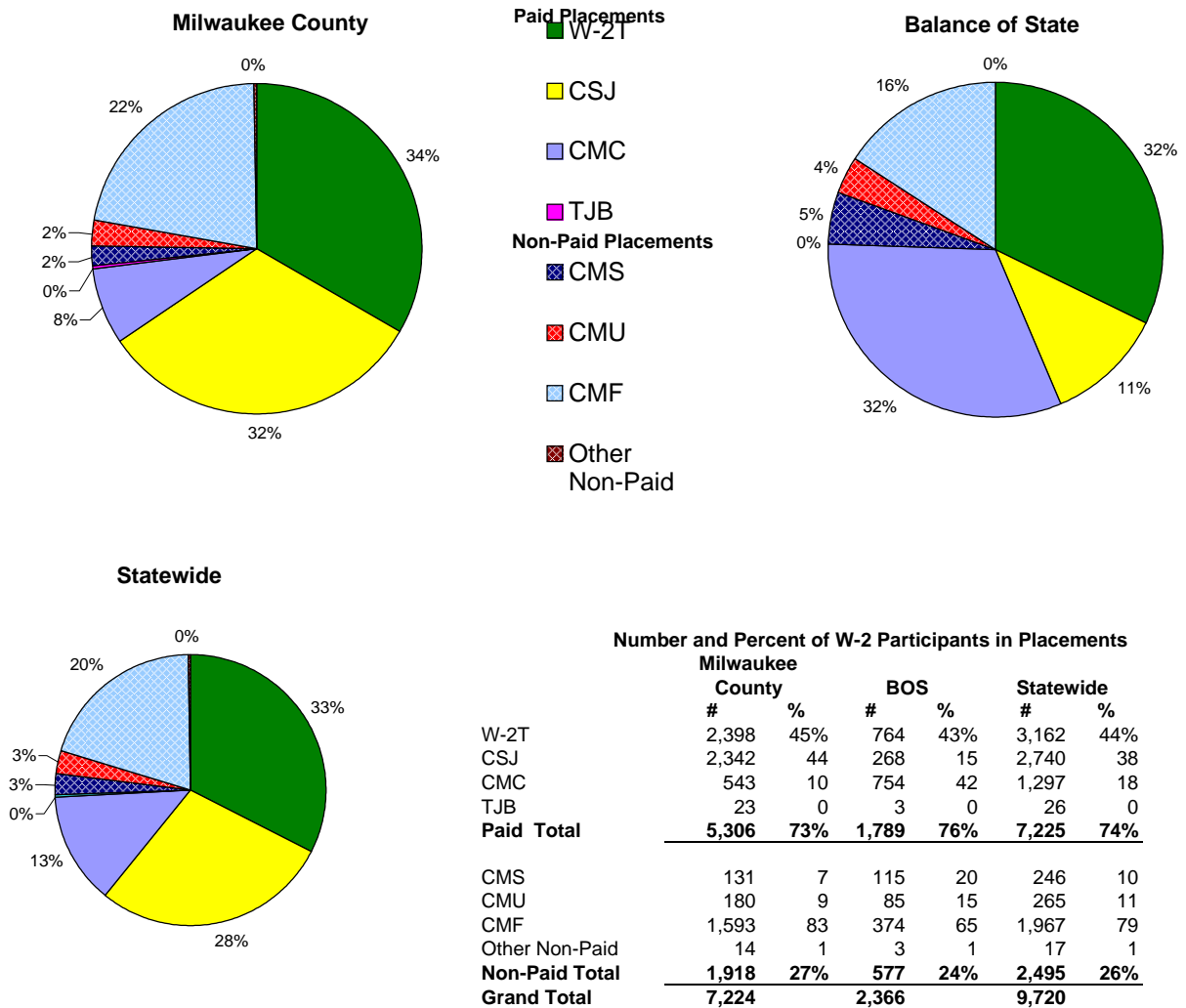
W-2 Benefits Paid - Most Recent Six Months

	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Jan 2006	Feb 2006	Mar 2006	Apr 2006
Milwaukee County \$	3,266,441	3,219,294	3,244,531	3,262,089	3,227,677	3,123,796
Balance of State	1,164,661	1,173,072	1,130,288	1,106,703	1,061,396	1,065,435
Statewide	\$4,431,102	\$4,392,366	\$4,374,819	\$4,368,792	\$4,289,073	\$4,189,231

Source: CARES, Bureau of Workforce Information, Division of Workforce Solutions, Department of Workforce Development

*Note: The benefits paid are the total monthly net benefits after sanctions and recoupments are applied.

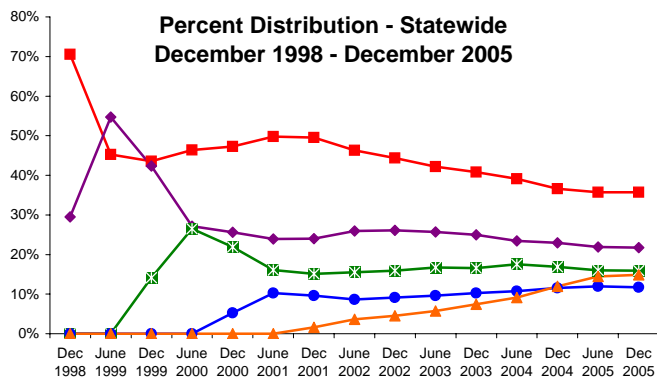
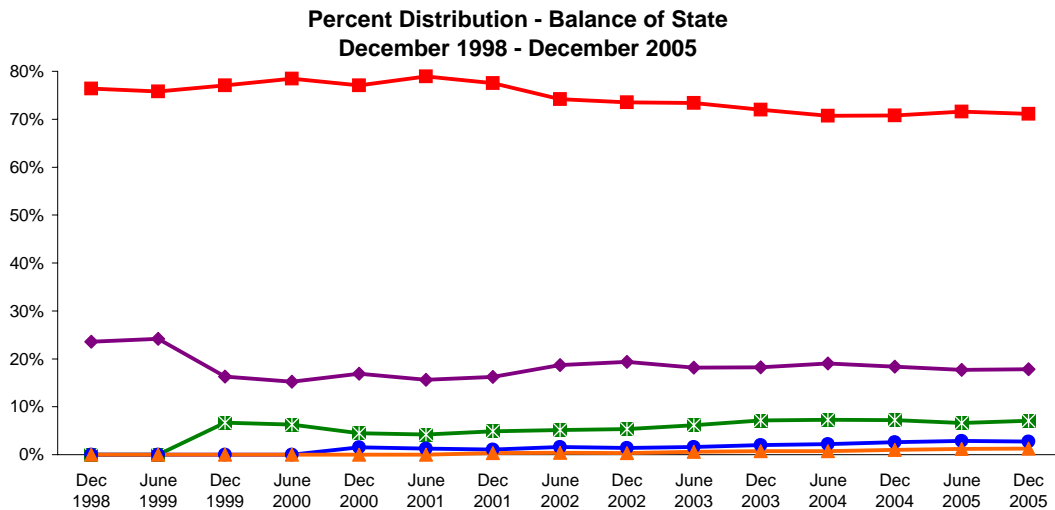
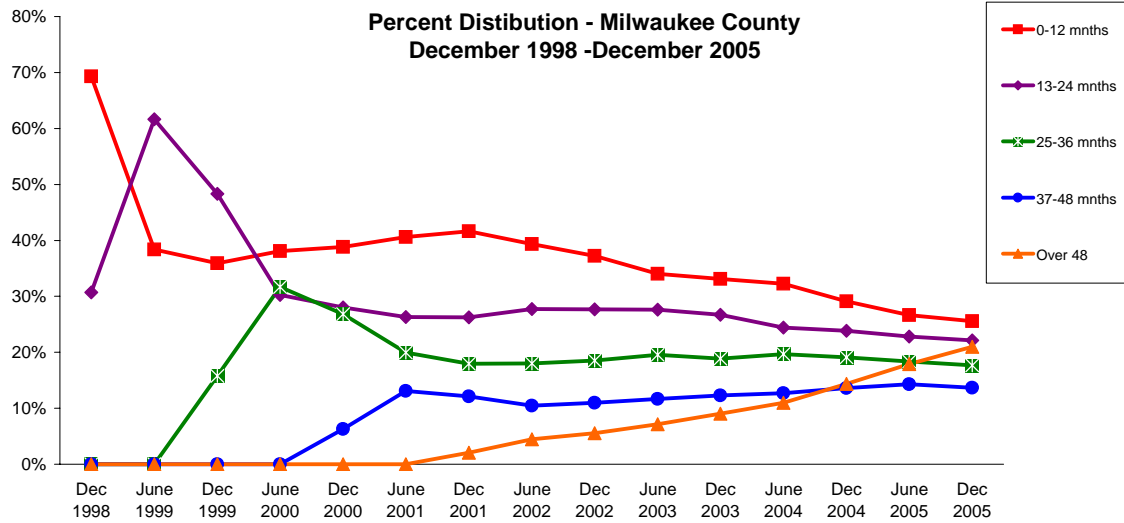
Placement of W-2 Participants, April 2006



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- Case Mgmt - Caretaker of a Newborn (CMC)..... A custodial parent of a child who is 12 weeks old or less and who meets the financial and non-financial eligibility requirements for W-2 employment positions.
- Case Mgmt - Pregnancy (CMP)..... A participant with a medically verified pregnancy.
- Case Mgmt - Service for Job Ready (CMS)..... Used for case management services for unemployed individuals who have been assessed as having the capability of obtaining immediate full-time employment.
- Case Mgmt Follow-up (CMF)..... Used for case management services for participants who have moved up the W-2 ladder to unsubsidized employment.
- Case Mgmt - Service for Working (CMU)..... Used for individuals working in unsubsidized employment who are without barriers to full-time employment.
- Case Mgmt - Non-Custodial Parent (CMN)..... Used for case management services for non-custodial parents.
- Case Mgmt - Minor Parent (CMM)..... Used for case management services for a custodial minor parent.

Number of Months Served in W-2*



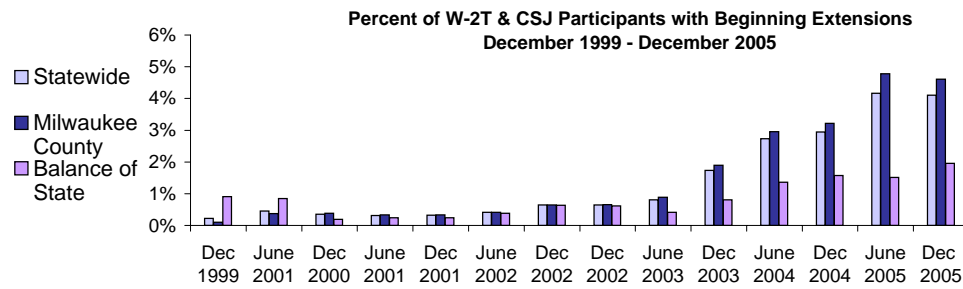
Number of Months Served in W-2 - Most Recent Six Months							
	Months	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Jan 2006	Feb 2006	Mar 2006	Apr 2006
Milwaukee County	0-12	2275	2202	2142	2127	2175	2181
	13-24	1783	1635	1508	1488	1485	1484
	25-36	1435	1321	1196	1165	1176	1225
	37-48	1124	1081	985	937	939	951
	Over 48	1589	1532	1458	1468	1522	1572
Balance of State	0-12	1924	1807	1791	1753	1747	1687
	13-24	614	617	587	564	555	554
	25-36	203	196	190	183	185	187
	37-48	88	88	88	93	94	87
	Over 48	46	49	44	44	46	48
Statewide	0-12	3942	3747	3685	3644	3682	3634
	13-24	2356	2224	2056	2007	1993	1986
	25-36	1649	1525	1396	1356	1372	1423
	37-48	1221	1172	1077	1031	1037	1043
	Over 48	1648	1595	1516	1531	1585	1638

Source: CARES, Bureau of Workforce Information, Division of Workforce Solutions, Department of Workforce Development.

*Note: Length of stay is determined for the W-2 participants in the report month by the number of total months a participant has been in W-2 since the beginning of the program.

*Note: Participants may be counted more than once if their geographic location changes from Milwaukee to Balance of State or vice versa.

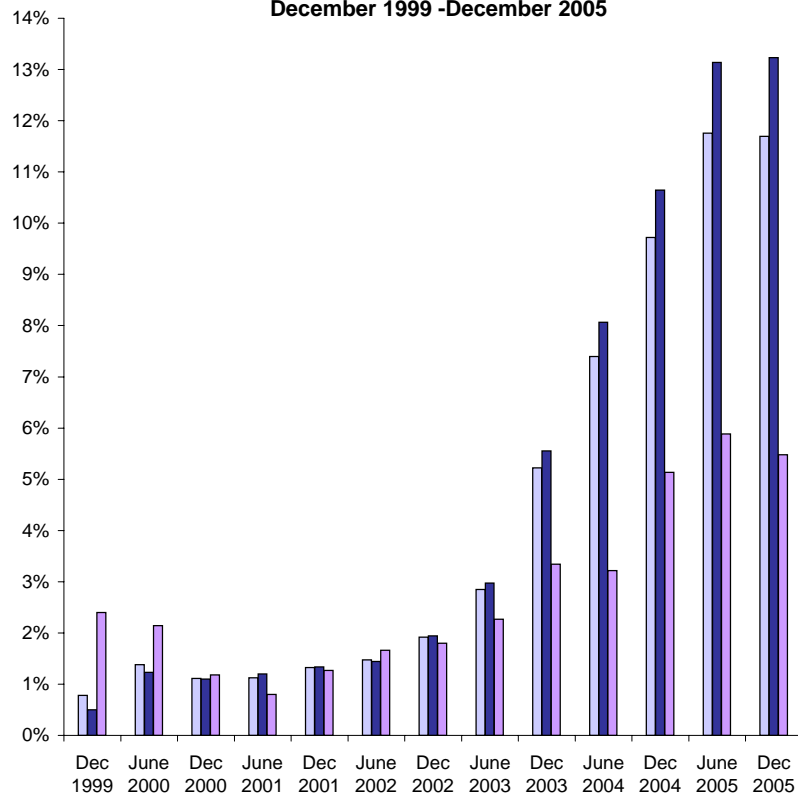
Extensions Granted for 24 Month Clocks*



Number of Beginning Extensions - Most Recent Six Months

	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Jan 2006	Feb 2006	Mar 2006	Apr 2006
Milwaukee County	244	178	191	211	200	183
Balance of State	24	20	22	33	29	22
Statewide	268	198	213	244	229	205

Percent of W-2T & CSJ Participants with Ongoing Extensions December 1999 - December 2005



Number of Ongoing Extensions - Most Recent Six Months

	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Jan 2006	Feb 2006	Mar 2006	Apr 2006
Milwaukee County	579	571	541	534	547	528
Balance of State	72	85	76	88	96	93
Statewide	651	656	617	622	643	621

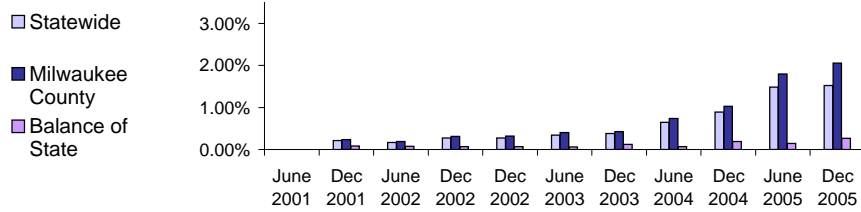
Source: CARES, Bureau of Workforce Information, Division of Workforce Solutions, Department of Workforce Development.

*Note: Extensions can be granted after 24 months of participation in a W-2T or CSJ placement. Extensions are granted when the participant is nearing the 24th month of their placement clock and they qualify for extended eligibility by meeting specific required criteria.

*Note: Participants may be counted more than once if the participant's extension lasts longer than six months. Ongoing Extensions are an end of the month count.

Extensions Granted for 60 Month Clocks*

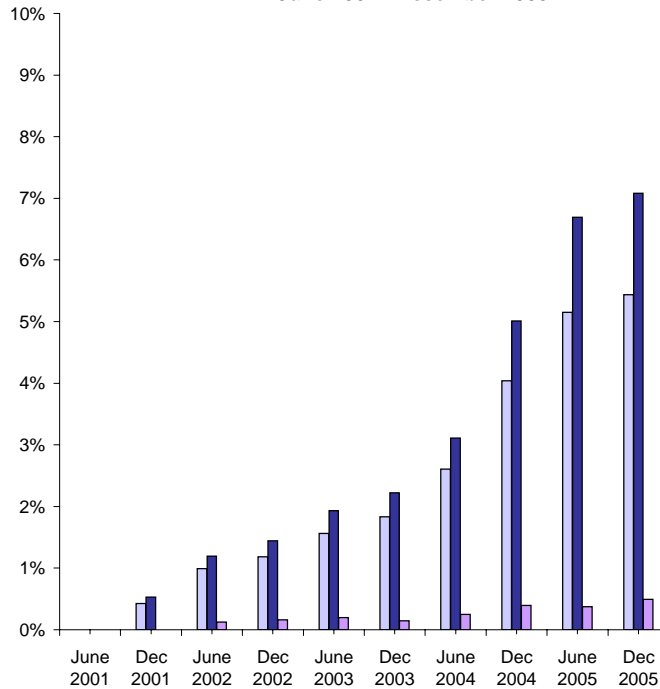
**Percent of Participants with Beginning Extensions
June 2001 - December 2005**



Number of Beginning Extensions - Most Recent Six Months

	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Jan 2006	Feb 2006	Mar 2006	Apr 2006
Milwaukee County	91	100	84	108	122	118
Balance of State	2	0	3	2	2	3
Statewide	93	100	87	110	124	121

**Percent of Participants with Ongoing Extensions
June 2001 - December 2005**



Number of Ongoing Extensions - Most Recent Six Months

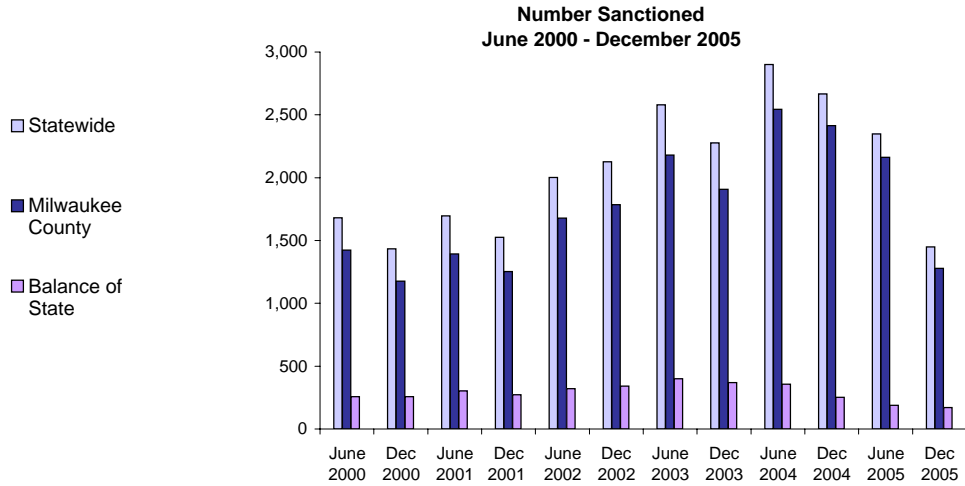
	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Jan 2006	Feb 2006	Mar 2006	Apr 2006
Milwaukee County	394	408	416	429	464	481
Balance of State	11	12	13	12	11	14
Statewide	405	420	429	441	475	495

Source: CARES, Bureau of Workforce Information, Division of Workforce Solutions, Department of Workforce Development.

*Note: Extensions can be granted after 60 months of lifetime participation. Extensions are granted when the participant is nearing the 60th month of their lifetime clock and they qualify for extended eligibility by meeting specific required criteria. The 60 month extensions first became relevant as of September 2001.

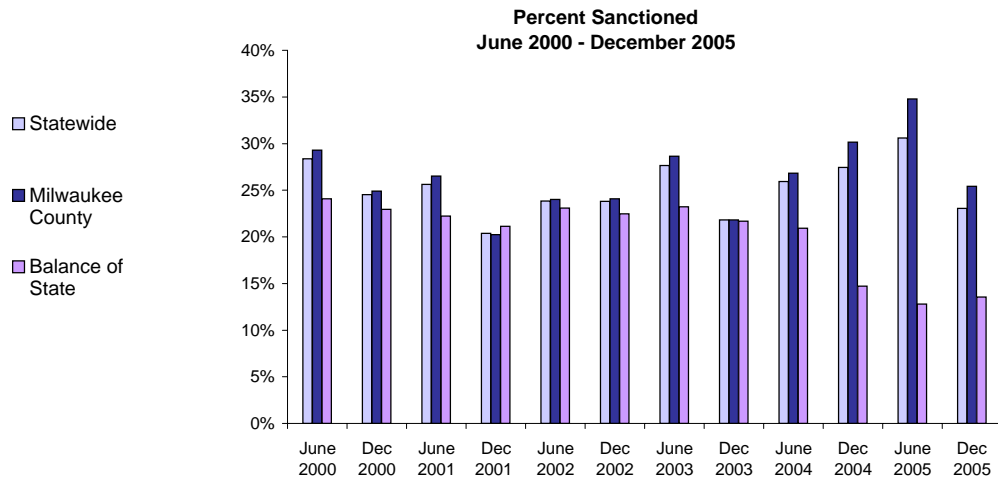
*Note: Participants may be counted more than once if the participant's extension lasts longer than six months. Ongoing Extensions are an end of the month count.

W-2T and CSJ Participants Who Were Sanctioned*



Number Sanctioned - Most Recent Six Months

	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Jan 2006	Feb 2006	Mar 2006	Apr 2006
Milwaukee County	1,521	1,279	1,064	1,253	1,205	1,284
Balance of State	164	170	128	126	124	116
Statewide	1,685	1,449	1,192	1,379	1,329	1,400



Percent Sanctioned - Most Recent Six Months

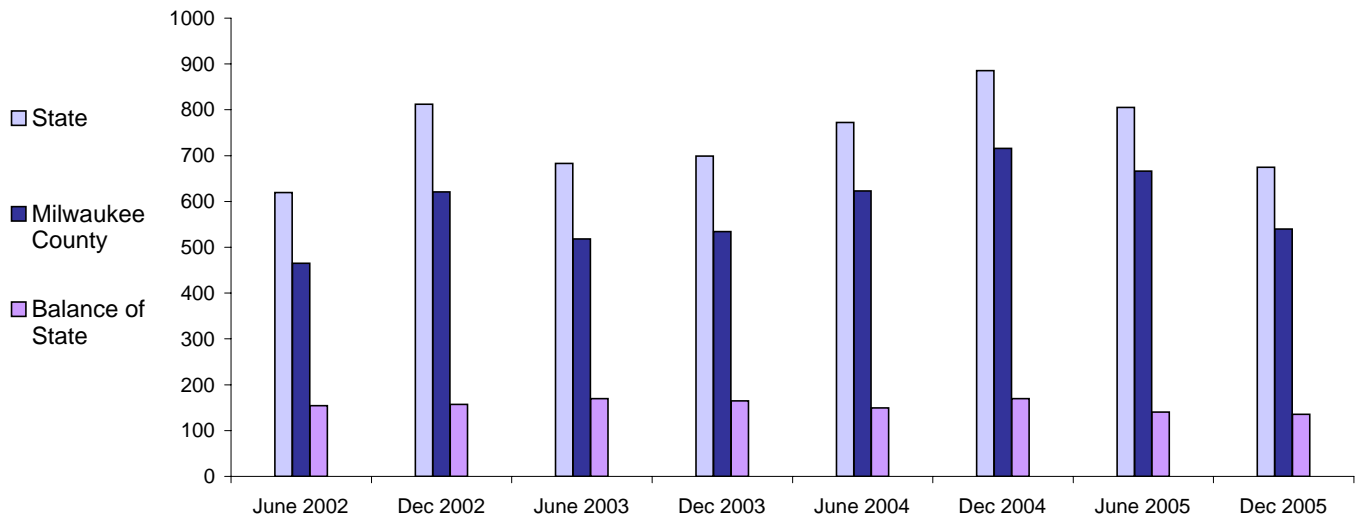
	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Jan 2006	Feb 2006	Mar 2006	Apr 2006
Milwaukee County	29%	25%	22%	26%	25%	27%
Balance of State	12	14	11	10	11	10
Statewide	26%	23%	20%	23%	22%	24%

Source: CARES, Bureau of Workforce Information, Division of Workforce Solutions, Department of Workforce Development.

* Note: Because sanction counts prior to September 1999 were counted differently they are not included in these graphs. The graphs on this page report information on the sanctionable population (W-2T and CSJ placements only). The data represented here are point in time during a month.

W-2 Participants Entered Employment

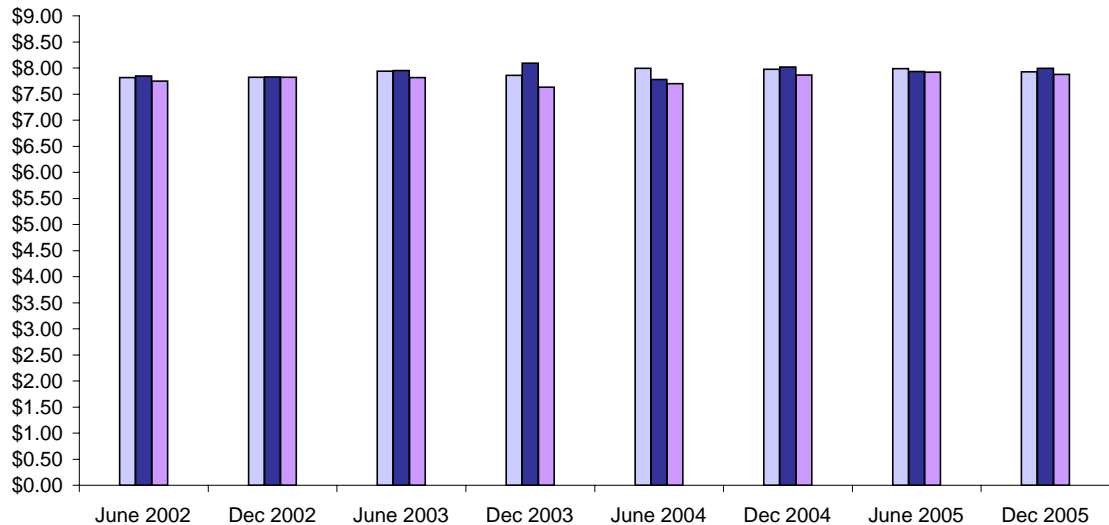
Average Number Entered Employment*
June 2002-December 2005



Total Number Entered Employment - Most Recent Six Months

	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Jan 2006	Feb 2006	Mar 2006	Apr 2006
Milwaukee County	465	291	196	176	259	248
Balance of State	109	89	88	64	102	88
Statewide	574	380	284	240	361	336

Average Hourly Wage*
June 2002 - December 2005



Average Hourly Wage - Most Recent Six Months

	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Jan 2006	Feb 2006	Mar 2006	Apr 2006
Milwaukee County	\$ 8.01	\$ 7.84	\$ 8.07	\$ 7.96	\$ 7.95	\$ 8.15
Balance of State	\$ 7.83	\$ 8.06	\$ 7.97	\$ 8.55	\$ 8.11	\$ 8.15
Statewide	\$ 7.95	\$ 7.95	\$ 7.96	\$ 8.14	\$ 8.05	\$ 8.06

Source: CARES, Bureau of Workforce Information, Division of Workforce Solutions, Department of Workforce Development.

* Note: Entered Employment is a W-2 program performance measure counted when a participant obtains or increases wages in a new job. Entered Employment for less than 30 days are excluded. Wage data are for jobs with hourly wages.